

matter is added by the amendmentss. In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Applicants note with appreciation that the Office Action indicates that claims 5-7, 9, 11, and 12 are allowable, and that claims 2-4 and 10 are directed to allowable subject matter. With the amendment of claim 1 to include the features of allowable claim 2, and the amendment of claims 3 and 4 to depend from allowable claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are allowable.

Applicants submit that, since claims 15 and 17 depend from claim 1, these claims are also allowable.

As this response/amendment has been timely filed, no request for extension of time or associated fee is required. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the fees provided to Deposit Account No. 50-1290. If it is felt that an interview would expedite prosecution of this application, please do not hesitate to contact applicant's representative at the below number.

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